

SCIENTIFIC INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

Executive Register

11 FEB 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
THROUGH: Deputy Director for Science and Technology
SUBJECT: Chairmanship of Scientific Intelligence
Committee (SIC) of USIB

1. The undersigned has served as Chairman, SIC since September 1954. Having taken on added duties recently as Director, Scientific Intelligence, it is requested that I be relieved of the chairmanship of the SIC.

2. Along with the change in leadership I also recommend changes in the coordinating responsibilities of the Committee. In brief, I recommend that the responsibilities of the Committee relating to intelligence on existing weapons systems be assigned to a new Military Technical Committee of USIB. Those relating to other aspects of scientific intelligence should be retained under SIC cognizance and expanded to reflect emerging concerns with advanced, including civilian, technologies. A copy of a memorandum to Chairman, USIB from Chairman, SIC that elaborates on these recommended changes is attached. The SIC members agreed to this memorandum on 7 February 1974.

3. As Chairman of the reconstituted SIC, with expanded responsibilities as outlined above and explained in greater detail in the attachment, I should like to

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recommend [] Chief, Physical Sciences and
Technology Division, OSI. [] has been Vice-Chairman
of the SIC since August 1967 and is thoroughly acquainted
with its purposes and operations.

[]
[]
Chairman

Attachment:
As Stated Above

CONCURRENCE:

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Deputy Director for Science and Technology

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Date

The recommendation contained in paragraph 3 is approved.

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Director of Central Intelligence

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5. Program of National Intelligence Estimates
for the Period 1 January 1973 to 30 June 1973

The Program of National Intelligence Estimates was approved as circulated including three additional items proposed by the National Security Council Staff.*

Executive Session

At 1050 hours the Chairman convened the Board in executive session to discuss several sensitive items including the following:

6. Designation of [] to
Replace Dr. Donald Chamberlain as
Chairman, JAEIC

Mr. Helms said that after more than ten years of highly competent service as Chairman, JAEIC, that Dr. Don Chamberlain wished to relinquish this position. He observed that this seemed only fair since Dr. Chamberlain had done this job so very well for such a long time, noting, also, that there was an eminently qualified and experienced replacement whom he was designating as the new Chairman, [] (Alternate Chairman of JAEIC and Chief of the Nuclear Energy Division, OSI/CIA).

The Chairman noted that the JAEIC had done its job with great accuracy and precision over the years; both during times of great stress concerning USSR and Chinese testing as well as during the somewhat more routine periods of recent years. He went on to thank the Board Principals for their cooperation with JAEIC and for the high quality of the representatives they had provided to the Committee.

Speaking for himself and the USIB Principals, Mr. Helms concluded his remarks by expressing the Board's appreciation to

*A final USIB-approved Program of National Intelligence Estimates will be circulated as USIB-D-14.1/58, 18 January 1973

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Dr. Chamberlain for a job consistently well done over a period of many years.



Executive Secretary

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Remarks:

On 23 February, you approved the designation of [redacted] to become Chairman of the Scientific Intelligence Committee (SIC) relieving [redacted]. Under the terms of the DCID for this Committee (Tab A) consultation with and concurrence of USIB is indicated. The procedure in the past has been to raise this in executive session to provide the USIB Principals an opportunity for objection.

[redacted] has been Chairman of the SIC for twenty years which appears to merit some recognition similar to that accorded Dr. Chamberlain when he relinquished his Chairmanship of JAEIC (Minute item for that discussion is attached at Tab B for your information).

It is recommended that you approve the scheduling of [redacted] appointment in executive session at the next USIB meeting.

Approve:

W. E. Colby
Chairman, USIB

26 FEB 1974

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